GONZAGA GUARANTEE



Gonzaga is committed to keeping financial aid packages predictable. Under the Gonzaga Guarantee, we promise the aid you receive from Gonzaga will not change during your time as an undergraduate. The purpose of this policy is to outline the terms of this guarantee.

I. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- a. To qualify for the four year guarantee, you must:
 - i. Be admitted to the University as a first-year undergraduate student;
 - ii. Be matriculated; and
 - iii. Be enrolled full time (12+ undergraduate credits)
- b. To qualify for the undergraduate transfer guarantee (up to 3 years), you must:
 - i. Be admitted to the University as a transfer student; and
 - ii. Be matriculated; and
 - iii. Be enrolled full time (12+ undergraduate credits)
- c. To continue to qualify for institutional aid under the Gonzaga Guarantee, an undergraduate must:
 - i. Be enrolled over consecutive years without transferring to another institution;
 - ii. Complete twelve or more credits for each term
 - iii. Maintain "good academic standing," as defined in the current University Catalogue; and
 - iv. Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for Financial Aid purposes, as defined in the policy.
 - v. Students who fail to maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress, and whose aid is revoked, may refer to the SAP Policy for options to appeal.

II. TERMS OF GUARANTEE

- a. Gonzaga guarantees that funding from Gonzaga will not decrease during your time as an undergraduate
 - i. Undergraduate institutional financial aid covered under the guarantee includes:
 - 1. Merit Scholarships (e.g. Trustee, Regent, Deans, Dussault, Aloysius, Achievement, Excellence, Enrichment, & University)
 - 2. Gonzaga Grant
 - ii. Most Gonzaga Scholarships, including: Donna Leigh Bauer, Joseph M. Cataldo, S.J., Charlotte Y. Martin, Woldson,
- b. The following types of financial aid are *not covered* under the Gonzaga Guarantee: the Federal Pell or SEOG Grants, Washington College Grant and other state grants/scholarships, Federal or State Work Study, Federal Direct Loans, ROTC Scholarships, Faculty/Staff Waivers, Financial Aid Discretionary Scholarship, Presidential Scholarship, and any scholarships received from outside sources
- c. Some Gonzaga grants, scholarships, and assistantships (e.g., Music scholarships, the Brajcich scholarship) have special conditions which may or may not be covered under the Guarantee. Other scholarships are awarded for one year only, by donor request. Special conditions or stipulations are communicated in those cases by the department which makes the award
- d. Students receiving ROTC scholarships, Faculty/Staff Waivers, FACHEX, Tuition Exchange, and Athletic Scholarships are not part of the Guarantee as different policies apply
- e. Students who are eligible for the **Magis Commitment** will receive federal, state, and institutional grant and scholarship aid equal to tuition. The maximum amount the student will receive in grant and scholarship aid is tuition.

III. DISTRIBUTION OF AID

- a. A student's annual institutional award (grants, scholarships) is paid to the student's account in equal proportion, by semester. One-half of the annual amount is disbursed at the beginning of fall semester, the other half is disbursed at the beginning of spring semester. At no time will the full annual amount be credited to only one semester within an academic year.
- b. Students who finish their undergraduate studies before their guarantee expires forfeit the remaining semesters of their institutional aid.
- c. Undergraduate grants and scholarship cannot be used for graduate or law courses.
- d. No institutional financial aid is provided to students during the summer term

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IV. TIME FRAME

- a. For undergraduates admitted as new students and transfers admitted with less than 30 credits the guarantee remains in place until the end of the fourth consecutive year in which the student has been enrolled and receiving financial aid under this policy
- b. For transfer students, the timeframe of the guarantee depends on the amount of a student transferred to Gonzaga:
 - i. 31-59 credits: 6 semesters
- c. 60+ credits: 4 semesters
- d. No automatic renewal of institutional aid is guaranteed after the guarantee has expired. Students may appeal for additional semesters of institutional aid through the financial aid extension request process:
 http://www.gonzaga.edu/Campus-Resources/Offices-and-Services-A-Z/Student-Financial-Services/Financial-Aid/Downloads/financialaidextension.pdf

Questions related to this policy may be directed to the Gonzaga University Financial Aid Office, located in Crosby Center, Room 001, to finaid@gonzaga.edu or by telephone at (509) 313-6582. Apply for Graduation either on ZagWeb (http://zagweb.gonzaga.edu) or in the Registrar's Office (CG229).

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